

term: *Provided*, That such vacancy shall only be filled if nominations have first been made therefor in the manner provided in the direct primary law relating to the nonpartisan judiciary.

Conflicting  
acts.

SEC. 3. That all laws or parts of laws inconsistent or in conflict herewith, be, and the same are, hereby repealed.

Passed the Senate January 28, 1937.

Passed the House February 10, 1937.

Approved by the Governor February 19, 1937.

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## CHAPTER 16.

[H. B. 344.]

### WAGES AND WORKING HOURS OF CITY OWNED PUBLIC UTILITIES EMPLOYEES.

AN ACT relating to cities of the first-class owning and operating public utilities, authorizing such cities to make adjustment or change of daily wages and working hours of employees of such public utilities, validating any ordinance heretofore passed for such purpose, and declaring an emergency.

*Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Washington:*

SECTION 1. That, irrespective of the provisions of any annual budget or act relating thereto, any city of the first-class owning and operating any public utility in this state, or public utility department thereof, is hereby authorized to make adjustment or change of the rate of daily wages of employees of such public utility where such adjustment or change is accompanied by or approximately coincidental with a shortening of the work week of such employees, and such adjustment or change will not result in any increase of pay per week, or excess of expenditures over revenues of such public utility.

Any ordinance heretofore passed by any such city for such purpose is hereby validated.

SEC. 2. This act is necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health and safety in such cities, and shall take effect immediately. Effective immediately.

Passed the House February 11, 1937.

Passed the Senate February 17, 1937.

Approved by the Governor February 23, 1937.

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## CHAPTER 17.

[H. B. 80.]

### COUNTY TAX FORECLOSURE.

AN ACT relating to the assessment and collection of taxes and amending section 11278 of Remington's Revised Statutes of Washington.

*Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Washington:*

SECTION 1. That section 11278 of Remington's Revised Statutes of Washington be and the same is hereby amended to read as follows: Amends § 11278, Rem. Rev. Stat. (§ 6882-117 P.C.)

Section 11278. After the expiration of five years from the date of delinquency, when any property remains on the tax rolls for which no certificate of delinquency has been issued, the county treasurer shall proceed to issue certificates of delinquency on said property to the county, and shall file said certificates when completed with the clerk of the court, and the treasurer shall thereupon, with such legal assistance as the county commissioners shall provide in counties having a population of thirty thousand or more, and with the assistance of the county prosecuting attorney in counties having a population of less than thirty thousand, proceed to foreclose in the name of the county, the tax liens em- Delinquency certificates to county.  
  
Foreclosure by county.